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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of SIGINT Operations

FROM:

[Redacted]

Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

SUBJECT:

Formation of Digital Collection Working Group

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1. FBIS is currently laying the groundwork to form the subject working group, to be chaired by [Redacted], chief of our Engineering Support Group. Its objective is development of a comprehensive plan leading to the capability to collect and demodulate open-source digital signals. As our expertise in this area is limited, we would appreciate whatever support your office can provide by way of advice, guidance, technical support, and assistance in interfacing with other elements of the Community which would allow us to exploit the technology which has already been developed.

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2. Attached to this memo is a draft charter for this working group. [Redacted] is prepared to brief you at your convenience on a proposed action plan. If you have any questions, he can be reached on [Redacted]

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DIGITAL COLLECTION WORKING GROUP

DRAFT CHARTER

Identify digital signals, in use and proposed for use, that transmit foreign public information media. This is to be accomplished through exploitation of published technical information, analysis of monitored digital signals, and discussion/coordination with Agency components and other IC members.

Identify the Intelligence Community's current and planned capabilities that could be used to collect and exploit digital signals that transmit foreign public information media.

Develop memoranda of understanding with community elements that have signal analysis capabilities to enable FBIS to utilize these resources and/or techniques.

Develop a comprehensive action plan to collect and exploit digital signals that transmit foreign public information media for presentation to senior FBIS management.